



PATENT
Attorney Docket No.: PD- 200305
Customer No.: 020991

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Steve Thompson et al.

Application No.: 09/975,051

Filed: October 11, 2001

For: A System and Method for Controlling
Interference Affecting Satellite Terminals
in a Satellite Communications Network by
Establishing and Using Virtual Cells which
are Independent of the Cells Formed by the
Spot Beams Generated by the Satellite

Group Art Unit:
Examiner:
Date: November 28, 2001

RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

- Transmitted herewith are a Response, Drawing Change Authorization Request, and Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified application.
- Applicants Petition for a Two-Month Extension of time, and authorize payment of the petition fee of \$390 to Deposit Account No. 50-0383.
- Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.
- The fee for claims is calculated below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED					
	CLAIMS REMAINING <u>AFTER AMENDMENT</u>	HIGHEST NUMBER <u>PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR</u>	PRESENT <u>EXTRA</u>	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	24	24	0	\$ 18.00 =	\$ 0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	3	3	0	\$ 80.00 =	\$ 0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS				\$ 260.00 =	\$ 0
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:					\$ 0

Please charge any additional fees for claims or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0383.

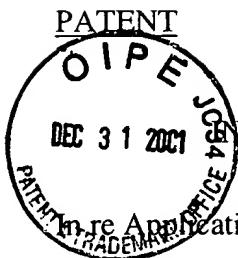
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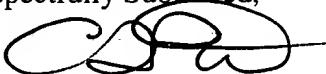
DRAWING CHANGE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST

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Sir:

Permission is hereby requested to add the attached Figs. 3 and 4 to the above-identified application. Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the number indicated below.

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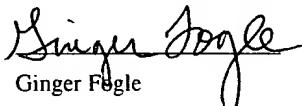


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